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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/68/688)*]

68/244. Managing after-service health insurance liabilities

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 58/249 A of 23 December 2003, section III of its resolution 60/255 of 8 May 2006, its resolutions 61/264 of 4 April 2007 and 64/241 and 64/245 of 24 December 2009, and section IV of its resolution 65/259 of 24 December 2010,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;[1]

2. *Endorses* the observations and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Recalls* paragraph 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to examine the option of broadening the mandate of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, based on input from the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, to include the cost-effective, efficient and sustainable administration of after-service health insurance benefits, taking into account the advantages and disadvantages of this option, including its financial and legal implications, without prejudice to the outcome of the examination, and to report thereon at the seventieth session of the General Assembly;

4. *Underlines* that the request made in paragraph 3 above does not prevent the Secretary-General from considering other options;

[1] A/68/353.
[2] A/68/550.

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5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to undertake a survey of current health-care plans for active and retired staff within the United Nations system, to explore all options to increase efficiency and contain costs and to report thereon at its seventieth session.

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